UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT COURT OF MINNESOTA

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This Document Relates To:

THE DIRECT PURCHASER PLAINTIFF ACTION

Case No. 18-cv-01776 (JRT-HB)

NOTICE OF HEARING ON MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF THE CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT BETWEEN DIRECT PURCHASER PLAINTIFFS AND SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that at a hearing to be held on a date and time to be determined, before the Honorable John R. Tunheim, Chief Judge for the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota, Courtroom 15, 300 South Fourth Street, Minneapolis, MN 55415, Plaintiffs will move the Court for an Order entering Preliminary Approval of the Class Action Settlement Between Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs and Defendant Smithfield Foods, Inc.

Pursuant to the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota's 28th Order regarding court operations (Apr. 29, 2021), the undersigned counsel will not request an in-person presentment of this Motion, and instead will present this motion by telephone or videoconference, as directed by the Court. Should the Court determine that an in-person hearing is necessary, the undersigned counsel is available at the Court's earliest availability.

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